



ST. PAUL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

“REACH PEOPLE FOR CHRIST, DEVELOP DEEPLY COMMITTED CHRISTIANS”

The Lathim-Greer-Foshee Scholarship of St. Paul United Methodist Church

Kathryn L. Lathim Scholarship Fund - Mary Alice Greer Trust – Marguerite & Vernon L. Foshee Scholarship Endowment

St. Paul United Methodist Church has been generously endowed by church members who have, through gifts and memorials, established a scholarship fund that provides financial resources to be awarded to full-time students each year. The value of each scholarship will vary according to the returns on the invested funds and the number of qualified applicants.

Application Procedure

1. Applications will become available at the beginning of January during the year of application. Applications may be picked up at the church office or may be acquired from the church website.
2. Completed applications, current school transcript(s), letters of recommendation and a photo must be returned to the Scholarship Committee at the St. Paul UMC office by **April 1st**. Please check with the church office to verify that your application has been received by the church Administrative Assistant. It's preferred that applications be typed. Additional paper may be used if more room is needed for any responses. It's most important that your responses are detailed and complete to help the Scholarship Committee better know you. Any questions should be directed to the Scholarship Committee through the Church office.
3. After reviewing all applications, the Scholarship Committee will contact all applicants by mail. The scholarship recipients will be invited to the presentation of awards during a worship service in May. Recipients are expected to attend this presentation. If unable to attend, the student must contact the chairperson of the Scholarship Committee prior to the awards service.
4. This application is for one academic school year; however, a student may reapply in the following years if qualifications are met. Students may only receive a total of four scholarships.

Applications, transcripts, and letters of recommendation can be brought to or mailed to the church at 2130 W Okmulgee Ave, Muskogee, OK 74401, or emailed to adminassistant@stpaulmuskogee.com

Qualifications

1. Be enrolled at an accredited institution.
2. Be an incoming freshman or an ongoing student.

Preferences

1. Current Members of St. Paul United Methodist Church.
2. Enrolled at an institution that is accredited by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education or Oklahoma City University.
3. Have and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA.
4. Demonstrate personal character reflecting Christian principles.
5. Demonstrating a plan to return to Muskogee following graduation

Disbursement Procedure

The scholarship is awarded in two parts. The first half is disbursed in the fall semester and the second half in the spring semester, after proof of enrollment is given to the church.

The funds will be given to the student from St. Paul UMC.

If the applicant chooses to withdraw or withdraws for other reasons from the institution, prior to completion of the semester, funds should be returned to the Scholarship Fund of St. Paul UMC.

Personal/Contact Information

Applicant Name: _____

Home Address: _____

College: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: _____

Home Church: _____

School Activities

List group or individual school activities in which you're an active member and identify any leadership role or responsibilities you may have.

Church Involvement

Identify areas in which you've been active in your church.

Leisure/Community Activities

List activities outside of school such as your hobbies, interests, and any community groups. Identify any leadership role or responsibilities you may have. Be specific please.

Volunteer Activities/Community Service

Please list your volunteer and community service activities. Be specific and include organizations and your roles.

Academic

Name of High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

High School Class Rank _____ out of _____ High School Grade Point Average * _____

Name of College: _____ in City, State _____

College Status as of Current School Year _____ Circle one:

Incoming Freshman	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
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Cumulative College GPA* _____ Major _____ Minor _____

Do you plan to attend college as a full-time student for the full next school year?

_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, which school? _____ In City, State _____

Have you received a St. Paul UMC Scholarship in the past? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, Date it was awarded _____

List any recognition, awards or honors that you've received in school, church, work, or community in the last several years.

Please include a copy of your academic transcripts with this application from high school or college as appropriate.*By submitting this application, I authorize the Scholarship Committee to verify my G.P.A., credits and class load, and volunteer/service activities.****Your Faith Journey**

Please respond thoughtfully and specifically to each prompt question, developing and expressing your ideas completely on another sheet of paper.

Typed responses are preferred.

1. Give a brief summary of the main events in your life and outline your personal as well as your educational goals.
2. How has your home church influenced your journey of faith?

3. In what ways has your religious background and faith impacted your life? Give specific examples of your personal religious beliefs and attitudes, and how they guide you in how you live your daily life.

4. Explain why this scholarship is important to you.

References/Letter of Recommendation

Please give the name, address and phone number of two character references who can attest to your Christian character, personal, and educational goals.

One should be your pastor or another active member of your home church, and the other may be an educator or community member. Neither should be related to you.

Both references should submit a written letter of recommendation on your behalf directly to the St. Paul UMC Scholarship Committee **by the deadline of April 1st.**

Name 1: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

How do you know this person? _____

Name 2: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

How do you know this person? _____

The St. Paul Scholarship Committee may choose to interview applicants. If they do, would you be available for a personal interview? ___ Yes ___ No

Thank you for applying for the Lathim-Greer-Foshee St. Paul UMC Scholarship!

Scholarship Application Checklist:

___ Completed Application

___ School Transcript

___ Recommendation Letters

___ Photo

Your Signature

Date